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1. ALTHOUGH MEDIA ATTACKS ON CHILEAN JUNTA HAVE PICKED UP FOLLOWING BREAK IN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS SEPT 22, GOB CONTINUES TO ORCHESTRATE "WORKERS INDIGNATION" SO AS NOT TO ACCUSE US OF DIRECT INVOLVEMENT.

2. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED 4 PROTEST TELEGRAMS FOR MEETINGS NOW BEING HELD AROUND COUNTRY, BUT EVEN IN THESE THERE IS NO CHARGE OF US INVOLVEMENT COUP, BUT ONLY HOPE EXPRESSED THAT "BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS" WILL BE OBSERVED BY JUNTA.

3. MEDIA, INOUR OPINION, HAS BEEN CAREFULLY EDITED TO IMPLY US INVOLVEMENT WITHOUT, HOWEVER, DIRECTLY CHARGING. BTA DISPATCH OUT OF NEW YORK, FOR EXAMPLE, WAS RUN IN ALL DAILY PAPERS SEPT 25 IN VARIOUS FORMS. ONLY IN "TRUD" WAS WHOLE STORY CARRIED WHICH, IN LAST PARAGRAPH DELETED FROM OTHER PAPERS, QUOTES ARGENTINIAN COMMUNISTS AS SAYING THAT "US AND CIA OBVIOUSLY HAD THEIR FINGERS IN CHILE".

3. COMMENTARY IN ARMY PAPER. "NARODNA ARMIA" SEPT 25 IS STRONGEST ATTACK TO DATE. CHARGING THAT REAL ROLE OF ITT,
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KENNECOTT COOPER, AND ANACONDA IN ORGANIZING THE COUP

WILL BE REVEALED , "ARTICLE STATES THAT ITT IS A CONCERN
"CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH STATE DEPT." THE ARTICLE
FURTHER STATES THAT "THE COUP CAN ONLY BE SEEN AS A PART
OF THE EFFORT OF WORLD IMPERIALISM, ESPECIALLY AMERICAN
IMPERIALISM, TO SUPPRESS THE REVOLUTIONARY ANTI-IMPERIALIST
MOVEMENT IN LATIN AMERICA.

4. EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR PRESS CLOSELY,
ALTHOUGH WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE BULGARS WILL NOT GO
BEYOND SOVIET LINE ON CHILE.

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